

Abstract

The invention is concerned with a transport device for sheets, with which branching of the transport path can be implemented in a manner which is simple and not susceptible to faults. This object is achieved by a transport device which comprises a first belt transport unit and a second belt transport unit, the second belt transport unit being arranged transversely with respect to the first belt transport unit. Between the belts of the first belt transport unit and of the second belt transport unit, a transport path for valuable documents or bank notes is formed in each case. At the end of the transport path, the leading edge of a sheet which is transported along the transport path of the first belt transport unit strikes the upper transverse belt of the second belt transport unit and is deflected by the belt in such a way that it is now transported along the transport path of the second belt transport unit. Depending on the direction of rotation of the rolls which are used to guide and to drive the belts, the sheet can be deflected into the left or right section of the second belt transport unit, so that a diverter function is made possible hereby without separate drives or control means being necessary. Furthermore, by driving the direction of rotation of the rolls, a sheet stack can be formed within the transport path of the second belt transport unit.

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